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- (3) International Search Report (4 pgs.);
- (4) References (4)
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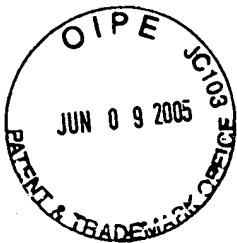
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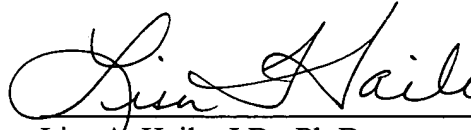
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